

FARMER SUFFERS HEAVY FIRE LOSS

Several Buildings Destroyed and
Animals Burned to
Death.

WORK OF AN INCENDIARY

Largely Attended Meeting to
Forward Laymen's Mission-
ary Movement.

Times-Dispatch Bureau,
100 North 35th Street,
Petersburg, Va., November 22.
W. H. Adams, a prominent planter
of Prince George county, near Brandon,
sustained a heavy loss by fire
about 1 o'clock Sunday morning, at
which hour he was aroused by a neighbor
to find nearly all of his outbuild-
ings ablaze at the same time, and too
far gone to enable him to save any-
thing of consequence. Mr. Adams lost
two stables, two mules, two horses and
four cows stalled there, with two
barns, with fifty barrels of corn and a
large quantity of long feed, with most
of his agricultural machinery and im-
plements. Ten stacks of fodder nearby
were also burned. The fire was the
work of some malicious but unknown
person. Mr. Adams has no insurance
on the property, and his loss is heavy.

Virginia N. and I. Institute.
President J. H. Johnston, of the Vir-
ginia Normal and Industrial Institute,
colored, makes an interesting state-
ment of the affairs of that institution,
located near this city. The State last
year gave \$20,000 for the running ex-
penses of the institution and \$14,000
for the farm and improvements. The
students paid in for board, \$24.25.
The number of students in the in-
stitute is about 350, representing
eighty-two counties and cities of Vir-
ginia and ten other States. In addition
to the literary course, the various in-
dustrial branches are taught, every boy
and girl being directed to a trade and
turned out for a useful life. The school
was founded in 1883, since which time
there have been 830 graduates, 532 of
whom are teachers and 297 are in in-
dustrial pursuits. A strong proof of
the value of the education given here
is found in the fact that in all the
years of the history of the institute
not one of the graduates has ever been
charged with a criminal offense, but
on the contrary have been law-abiding
citizens, attending to the business af-
fairs of life.

The Great Laymen's Movement.
In all of the white Protestant
Churches in this city on Sunday the
great Laymen's Missionary Movement
was prominently brought to the at-
tention of the congregations, princi-
pally by laymen. In the afternoon a
large meeting was held in Tabb Street
Presbyterian Church, which was ad-
dressed by speakers from a distance,
and great interest was shown. Repre-
sentatives of the churches pledged the
sum of \$12,500 for foreign missions
next year from Petersburg. Yester-
day's meetings were the opening of
the two weeks' winter mission in
this city in behalf of the Laymen's
Movement.

The Petersburg Hospital.
The annual report of the board of
managers of the Petersburg Hospital
shows that during the year just closed
335 patients were treated, of whom
247 were cured, twenty-three re-
lieved and thirty-five died. There
were thirty-three medical and forty-
four surgical cases (not including
twenty-two surgical operations). Many
of those who died were sent to the
hospital for advanced cases of cancer,
and so badly injured that nothing
could be done for them. A \$300,000
addition to the hospital is being made,
which will have accommodations for
fifty beds.

Centennial Observance.
Petersburg Chapter, Royal Arch Ma-
sons, will observe with proper cere-
monies on December 15 the centennial
anniversary of its charter, and ar-
rangements are now being made for
the proper celebration of the occasion.
A banquet will be spread, and promi-
nent guests from a distance will be
present.

Washington West. Prince George,
who went to Newport News to attend
the Virginia Conference, died at the
home of his daughter in that city Sat-
urday night. He was sixty-one years
old, and is survived by four daughters
and three sons. Two of his daughters.

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Mrs. Cousins and Mrs. Buren, live in
Newport News.

Mrs. Addie Wilson, widow of William
T. Wilson, died yesterday at her home
on Commerce Street. She leaves one
son and one daughter.

William Walter Chappell, a well-
known young man, died Sunday after-
noon at his home on Mistletree Street,
leaving a widow and four children.

EVIDENCE IN ANGLE TRIAL.

Important Witness, Wanted by De-
fense, Led to Jail.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
DANVILLE, VA., November 22.—The
tracing of the records of material
shipped to the P. D. Jones, a colored
plant, and the examination of former
saloon men, showing the amount of
whiskey they had purchased from the
Dry Fork Company and T. M. Angle,
occupied the attention of the United
States Court, Judge Henry C. McDowell,
pending this morning in the civil
suit against Angle to collect taxes on
alleged excess production and recovery
of bonds from the Fidelity and Guar-
anty Company of Baltimore.

The first witness to-day was G. S.
Zorn, a grain dealer of Louisville, Ky.,
who was placed on the stand Saturday.
Among other things, he testified as to
shipments of material to Angle were
J. I. Pritchett and John P. Swanson.
Danville, E. L. Moses, of Chatham,
and M. H. Pettit, of Kenosha, Wis.

J. H. Whorley, formerly miller at the
Dry Fork distillery, for whom the offi-
cers have been searching for some time,
was arrested Saturday night at Dry
Fork by one of the secret service men
and brought here and lodged in jail.
Whorley is regarded by the defense as
an important witness, they having at-
tempted once to secure a continuance
of the trial on account of his absence.

Fire in Chase City Jail.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
CHASE CITY, VA., November 22.—
The city jail was discovered to be on
fire this morning between the hours of

2 and 3 o'clock. The fire started from
the outside near the door. Much dam-
age was done to the building before
the flames could be extinguished, and
a prisoner, a colored woman, suffered
quite severely from heat and intense
smoke.

DAMAGE BY FOREST FIRES.

Several Thousand Acres Burned Over
and Dwelling Destroyed.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
BOWLING GREEN, VA., November
22.—Forest fires, owing to the unpre-
cedented drought, have been raging
throughout the county. As the result
of one, which started on Saturday,
near Rixey's switch, on the Richmond,
Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad,
several thousand acres of land has been
burned over, destroying timber, cord
wood and the dwelling house on Rock
Spring farm, owned by the Misses
Rixey. The railroad company had
several hundred hands fighting the fire,
but did not get it under control until
Sunday, after it had done several thou-
sand dollars' worth of damage.

Negroes Charged With Burglary.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
SALISBURY, N. C., November 22.—
With Judge B. F. Long on the bench,
Rowan Superior Court convened here
to-day, and Jake Shuford and Lewis
Clement (colored) were placed on trial
for their lives, charged with burglary.
The docket is light, and no other cap-
ital cases are to be tried at this term
of court.

Negro Kills His Wife.

SPENCER, N. C., November 22.—John
Poe, colored, killed his wife on the
street here to-day by stabbing her
through the heart. They were both on
their way to work when a quarrel
arose. Poe made good his escape.

COLLEGES TO DEBATE THANKSGIVING NIGHT

Annual Contest Between Randolph-Macon, of Vir-
ginia, and Wake Forest, of North Carolina,
Will Be Held at Ashland.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

ASHLAND, VA., November 22.—Ex-
tensive preparations are being made
here for the debate which is to take
place Thanksgiving night in the col-
lege chapel between Randolph-Macon
and Wake Forest, of North Carolina.
The latter school has attained consid-
erable prestige along this line, and
will no doubt put up a stiff fight
against the Virginia debaters, who
hope, however, to save the day for
Randolph-Macon. This is the second
of a series of these debates arranged
between the two schools.

Last Thanksgiving night the Car-
olinians won in Raleigh, and a decision
in their favor a second time would
finish the series and give them the cup.
Resolved, That the United States

government should derive its entire
revenue from internal taxation, rather
than its entire revenue from customs
duties, is the question for debate. It
is clearly theoretical, and will be de-
fended by Messrs. L. L. Gravelly and
G. M. Betty, of Randolph-Macon.
Messrs. E. N. Johnson and H. B. Jones
will uphold the negative for Wake
Forest.

The judges of the debate will be
R. McIlwaine, State Librarian, Rich-
mond, Va., Dr. J. H. Latane, professor
of history, Washington and Lee Uni-
versity, Lexington, Va., and Rev. W. H.
Forsyth, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal
Church, Richmond, Va.

Immediately after the debate a ban-
quet will be tendered the debating
teams in the Henry Clay Inn.

LEE BATTLE TRIAL IN FEDERAL COURT

Charged With Fraud Against
Government and De-
positors.

BILL OF INDICTMENT READ

Case Against Former Bank Cash-
ier Arouses Great In-
terest.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
GREENSBORO, N. C., November 22.—
The adjourned term of the United
States District Court, Circuit Court,
Judge Boyd presiding, convened here
at 11 o'clock to-day for the trial of
the case against Lee H. Battle, cashier
of the defunct City National Bank, on
an indictment charging fraud against
the government and the officers and
depositors of the bank.

When court met the defendant's
counsel announced their readiness to
proceed. He was represented by Judge
S. B. Adams, Stedman & Cooke, Judge
Strudwick and F. P. Holgood, Jr., while
prosecuting for the government were
District Attorney John H. Assistant
District Attorney Coble. Owing to the
prominence of the defendant and the
general interest in the bank case, there
was a large audience present when
court met, and in the bar sat a dozen
ladies, among them the devoted wife
of the defendant and her lady friends.

It took but fifteen minutes to select
a jury. Both the prosecution and the
defense exhausted their three peremptory
challenges, and when Judge Boyd
asked if any of the jurors had formed
or expressed the opinion that the de-
fendant was guilty, or if they had
heard or seen anything, Judge of Sale-
m, and Mr. Grimes, of Lexington,
arose, and they were excused by the
court from taking their places being
supplied by other jurors who suc-
cessfully passed this question, after hav-
ing been finally accepted.

The first charge in the bill
is for alleged false entries in re-
ports made by Cashier Battle, and at-
tested by three of the bank directors
to the Comptroller of the Treasury in
regard to the financial condition of
the bank. The first alleged false report
was made on May 20, 1907. Under the
head of "loans extended by the bank," the
bill charges that Battle returned under
this head "Pomona Cotton Manufacturing
Company, \$25,000," whereas in
truth and in fact reads the indictment
"the said company was indebted to the
bank in excess of the limit \$36,500."

On August 21, the report said there
was no loan exceeding the limit, whereas
it is charged that the Pomona
Company owed \$137,776. December 3,
1907, the report said there was no loan
exceeding the limit, and the allegation is
made that the Pomona debt at this
time was \$137,776.

Then follow about sixty counts of
alleged unlawful personal drafts by
Battle on the bank, when he had no
money on deposit, and without the
knowledge or consent of the officers,
and contrary to the banking act. A
different draft, with the same name
to each count, the period ranging from
November, 1906, down to the time of
discontinuance of the bank in March,
1907, are set out. The largest draft was
for \$30, the largest reaching as
high as \$19,000. Each count charges
an intent to defraud.

Testimony of the Defense.
It is understood that the defense will
show that Battle never profited per-
sonally a penny, the money all going
to help him up the saw-mill owner,
Grooms, whose home is in Deatur,
Rockbridge county, Va., came to Alber-
marle early in October and began the
operation of a saw-mill plant about
four miles northeast of the city, within
the sight of Monticello, the home of
Jefferson. Among the contracts he had
was one with C. E. Hughes, a business-
man of this city, to do a year's sawing.
Yesterday a week ago Grooms came to
Charlottesville and drew out \$25,000
from the bank, and he is said to have
\$5. He left the store and has not been
heard from since. The fear is ex-
pressed that the money was used to
town to draw a large amount of
money which he would pay him back.
The section around the camp has been
thoroughly scoured by officers this
week, but no traces of the missing man
have been found. The search is being
kept up vigorously, however.

MISSING MORE THAN A WEEK.

Fearful That Saw-Mill Man Has Been
Waylaid and Murdered.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., November
22.—The eastern end of the country is
considerably worked up over the mys-
terious disappearance of Frank S.
Grooms, a well-to-do saw-mill owner,
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Grooms is about twenty-eight or
thirty years of age and unmarried. He
is slightly crippled, his left leg having
been fractured several years ago.
Grooms was sober and inattentive
and a man of good business qualities.
The force of hands under him at the saw-
mill was a large one, consisting of log-
gers, sawyers and teamsters.

YOUNG MAN KILLS HIMSELF.

Receives Fatal Wound in Head While
Trying to Fix His Rifle.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
FOLK, VA., November 22.—Yester-
day afternoon Louis Schroer, aged
thirteen, the son of the well-known
baker, George P. Schroer, 708 County
Street, with two companions, carried a
Flintlock rifle to Churchland to go gun-
ning. About 4 o'clock young Schroer
fired the rifle, but the cap only snapped
and the rifle did not go off. He
turned the barrel of the rifle up to
look into it to see what was the mat-
ter, when in some manner he pulled
the trigger, and the ball of the
rifle struck him in the forehead, in-
flicting a fatal wound.

BETTER FARMING METHODS.

Much Interest Shown in the Exhibits

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
WADESBORO, N. C., November 22.—
The third week of the Farmers' En-
campment opened this morning. The
week the encampment goes to Anson-
ville, Lenoirville and Morven. Reports
from last week show that fully 2,000
people were at Peachland and almost
as many at Polkton and Cedar Hill.
Farmers are much interested in the
exhibits and in the educational ad-
dresses. The promoters feel that much
good has already been accomplished
and increased interest created in pro-
gressive farming methods.



WHAT JOY THEY BRING TO EVERY HOME

as with joyous hearts and smiling faces they romp and play—when in health—and
how conducive to health the games in which they indulge, the outdoor life they
enjoy, the cleanly, regular habits they should be taught to form and the wholesome
diet of which they should partake. How tenderly their health should be preserved,
not by constant medication, but by careful avoidance of every medicine of an inju-
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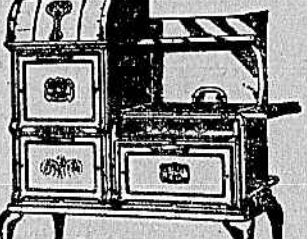
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